The Daily Courant.

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London, June 3.

Yesterday arriv'd from Holland the Mail of Tuesday last.

'The Copy of a Letter written from Barcelona 'by the Prince of Lichtenstein to Count Goes, the '10th of May.

THis will inform you, that the Fleet or Squadron of the Allies, commanded by Vice-Admiral Leake, with the Succour of Land Forces, arriv'd the 8th of this Month: The Enemy's Fleet having Notice of their Approach, fled the Night before, and no doubt are retir'd to Toulon. This has given his Majesty and this City unspeakable Joy, and so much the greater for that the Enemy and the Duke of Anjou, who is in Person with their Army, look'd upon themselves to be already Masters of Barcelona; as indeed they were in a fair Way of being; for their Miners were got under the Point of the Counterscarp, and had already made so considerable a Breach, that in 2 Days at furthest a general Assault might have been given; tho' 'tis not to be doubted it would have cost them much Blood, and some thousands of Men; for what was ruin'd by Day was repair'd in the Night with incredible Diligence and Dispatch by means of Fascines, and behind the Wall a very regular and strong Intrenchment was made, and furnish'd with Cannon and Patteroes; but notwithstanding this, it would have been impossible without Succours to keep the Place many Days, because the best Troops and almost the greatest part of the English and Dutch were kill'd or taken in the Defence of Fort Montjoy: Besides there were not 1000 Men left, Germans, English and Dutch together, to defend the City; and they were forc'd to do most of the Service, because we could not so much depend upon the others, who might be in Number 1400, Neapolitans or Catalonians, all unexperienc'd and undisciplin'd Men. Tho' the Day before the City was besieg'd, his Catholick Majesty had resolv'd to retire to Terragona or Tortosa yet contrary to my Lord Peterborough's Advice, the Count de Cifuentes's, and mine; as also to the Remonstrances and Intreaties of the Estates of the Country and Magistrates of this City, he determin'd to stay in the Town besieg'd, to animate by his Presence, the Garrison and his faithful Burghers and Subjects, to make a vigorous long Resistance. And notwithstanding the said Lord, and the Count de Cifuentes, wrote afterwards to his Majesty, especially after the Loss of the strong Castle of Montjoy, and tho' I being present said all I could to perswade him to go out of the Place, and open himself a Passage by Land by the Help of his Horse, or else (which was most approv'd by every one) to retire by Sea by the Means of 4 Frigates that were always ready, and of a small one that hover'd about the Road; (my Lord Peterborough being in the Neighbourhood too, to facilitate his Majesty's Escape;) yet he persisted in his Resolution, to continue in the Place to the last Extremity, and not to make use of those 4 Frigates, till no more Resistance could be made, till the utmost Danger should compel him to it, and till there was no Possibility of defending the City longer.

We must do Justice to the English and Dutch Troops and to the Generals that commanded them, and especially to my Lord Donegal who was kill'd in the Attack of Fort Monjoy; as also to the Dutch Brigadier St. Amand his Majesty's Major-General, to the Count of Ulefeld Governour of Barcelona, and to the Landgrave Henry of Hesse; by acknowledging that by their Bravery, Vigilance, and Working Day and Night, those have defended the City hitherto. But 'tis certain, that had his Majesty retir'd, all had been in the greatest Confusion, and perhaps the Place would have held out but a few Days.

The Enemy's Army fearing to be surpriz'd by the strong Garrison now in the Place, keep close together; and tho' the Siege still continues, yet seeing they fire but with 3 pieces of Cannon, which are indeed very large, we make no Doubt that in a few Days they will raise the Siege and retire. In Case they do, I hope we shall charge their Rear, and that the Peasants of the level Country and the Miquelets of the Hills will not forget themselves, but will in hopes of getting Booty fall upon them, and do them great Damage in their Retreat.

By a Frigate that is to sail in 2 or 3 Days for Genoa, I will be sure to give you a more particular Account of our Success. In the mean Time I am, &c.

The Copy of another Letter from the Prince of Lichtenstein to Count Goes.

Barcelona, May 12. 1706.

THE Frigate that is to carry my Letter of the 10th Instant to Lisbon, not being sail'd yet, I will now acquaint you in few Words, that this City is absolutely deliver'd from the Siege, and that last Night and this Morning the Enemy march'd all away, with so much Precipitation, that they have abandon'd the greatest Part of their heavy Baggage, and all their Artillery, Ammunition and Provisions, viz. 106 Pieces of Brass Cannon in perfect good Order, 23 Mortars most of them upon Iron Carriages, 3200 Quintals of Powder, 26000 Bullets, 4300 Bombs, 6500 royal Grenadoes, 12300 Hand Grenadoes, 961 Quintals of Musquet Balls, 280 Quintals of Lead, 40000 Cartridges ready fill'd, 18000 Tools for digging up Ground, 8 Barrels of Fireworks, 16000 Sacks of Meal, a great Quantity of Bread Corn, and 6000 Sacks of Oats; which we have found in their Camp, with abundance of other Preparations, more than can easily be believ'd but by those that have seen them. They have also left above 1000 Sick or wounded Men.

As far as we can conjecture by the motion of the Enemy, they march towards Roussillon; which shews they give Spain for lost, and that they have no Hopes to maintain that Kingdom and its Provinces longer; the rather, because my Lord Galway at the taking of the Town of Alcantara obtain'd a great Victory over them, and a Trumpeter that came hither to Day from the Marshal de Thesse with a Letter about the sick and wounded he has left behind, reports the Dutchess of Anjou is retir'd towards Pampelona, and all Spain is in Consternation and Confusion: The Horse sent from hence, being joyn'd by several thousand armed Men in the adjacent Country, and in the Mountains, have attack'd the Enemy in their Retreat on all sides, and have done them great Damage; and we doubt not that before they get out of Catalonia, the greatest Part of the Remains of their Army will be cut off, or desert at least, for last Night and this Morning above 300 Men, Germans or French, are come over to us; and more still come, some out of Affection, and others for Fear of the Catalonians that are all in Arms, or being directed by the just Hand of God, who has visibly assisted his Majesty and the high Allies. But what is remarkable, tho' according to the Course of the Planets there is no Wonder in it, is, that this Morning about a quarter past 9 a Clock, when the Enemy's Army was in full march and Confusion, the Sun was eclips'd for 6 Minutes, so that the Day look'd like Night. Thus the Crown of France, which has the Sun for its Device, loses its

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Force before Barcelona; and must at last restore to the King and lawful Soveraign of Spain all the Monarchy usurp'd from him.

I congratulate with your Excellency, upon this glorious and happy Success, and hope that in a little Time *I* shall acquaint you with other like glorious Progresses. *I* am, &c.

From the Paris Gazette, dated June 5.

Madrid, May 21. We have no News here about Barcelona, except that the Enemy had brought great Succours thither. By Letters from Salamanca of the 12th of this Month 'tis advis'd, that the Marquis de Villareal had taken the Field with the Nobility on Horseback, and was march'd to defend the Passages of Truxillo, the said Nobility being divided into 4 Bodies, commanded by the Marquis de Cardennosa, Don Domingo de Guzman, Don Joseph Manuel Maldonado, and Don Christoval de Cueto y Paz. The 13th a Regiment of 540 Men, commanded by Don Antonio Sanguineto Corregidor of Salamanca, was to march from thence, having under him 9 Captains nominated by the City, which has furnish'd all that was necessary, for mounting, arming, and subsisting them while they are in the Field. Our last Advices from the Body of Troops commanded by the Duke of Berwick, say he was at Placentia and would follow the Enemy and observe their March as well as he could with his Horse. The Enemy are retir'd from Coria, and according to the latest Advices, were within 2 Leagues of Ciudad Rodrigo. The Duke of Berwick has defeated some of their Parties, taken some of their Convoys, and streightens them in such a Manner, that they dare not go far from their Camp to Forrage. 'Tis believ'd they will lay Siege to Ciudad Rodrigo, because that Place is not strong; however, all the Troops are drawing together that can possibly, for succouring that Town and attacking the Enemy. Part of the Clergy of the Province of Guipuscoa, having met together, have made a Free Gift to the King of 500 Pistoles towards the Charge of the War. The Chapter of Xerez de la Frontera has given 2000 Crowns: The Clergy of Palencia have given a like Summ. 150 Horse are march'd out of Xerez de la Frontera, to joyn the Duke of Berwick. Troops are drawing together from all Parts, and last Week above 2000 Men under very good Officers, march'd from hence for Estramadura.

From the Paris Gazette, dated June 5.

Paris, June 5. We have Advice that the Enemy's Fleet arriving before Barcelona, and landing 6000 Men of regular Troops and 3000 Seamen, it was resolv'd in a Council of War to raise the Siege: Accordingly the Army retir'd in good Order into Rousillon, having beaten the Enemy's Troops as often as they attempted to annoy them in their March: The King of Spain arriv'd the 22d at Perpignan in perfect Health, and was on his Departure to return to Spain by Navarre, follow'd by the Army which is in a very good Condition.

From the Paris Gazette, dated June 5.

Brussels, May 28. The Battle on the 23d of this Month, was hard fought, principally in the Centre and on the Wing next the Mehaigne, where the Foot and the King's Houshold behav'd themselves with extraordinary Valour as is acknowledg'd even by the Allies, who had caus'd most of their Horse to advance to the said Wing and Centre. So that at last our Troops were broken, being overpower'd by Numbers. After the Fight the Army of France and Spain came into the Neighbourhood of Louvain. The 24th they cross'd the River Senne and the Canal of Brussels, and encamp'd between Grimberg and Laken near this City. The Elector of Bavaria came in hither, and sent Order to the Garrisons of Louvain, Mechlen, and Lier, to retire, and to send out of those Places all the Artillery, Pontons, Ammunition and Provisions they possibly could. The 25th he march'd agen with the Army, and being accompanied by all the Ministers and Judges of the several Courts, encamp'd near Ghent; and the 26th at St. Denis between the Lis and the Schelde, with his Left towards Ghent, and his Right towards Oudenarde. The Troops that were near Antwerp are march'd into it, as are also the Garrisons of Mechlen and Lier; whereby that City is secur'd, and has besides a free Communication with the Army by the Country of Waes. The 24th my Lord Marlborough approach'd Louvain, and the Keys of it were presented to him by the Magistrates. The 25th he encamp'd near Vilvorde, where he continued the 26th; and the 27th encamp'd at Anderlecht near this City and on this Side the Senne. Advice is just come, that the Count de Sailant Governour of Namur, being inform'd there were in the Village of Taviers on the Mehaigne several wounded Men and Cannon, with a Guard of the Allies, detach'd the Count de la Mothe Brigadier to sieze and fetch them off. He set out the Night between the 25th and 26th, and executed this Enterprize with so good Conduct, that he surpriz'd and took the Guard, 9 Pieces of Cannon, and 12 Waggons with wounded Men, without losing one Man.

From the Leiden Courant, dated June 9.

Antwerp, June 7. On Saturday last, the Allies took Possession of Fort St. Margaret on the Schelde over against Rupelmonde. Yesterday Articles for the Surrender of this City and Castle, were agreed between the Allies and our Bishop and Magistrates. All Religious and civil Affairs are to remain in the same State they were in the Reign of King Charles II. 25 English and Dutch have taken Possession of the Watch-House on our Wharf.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated June 8.

Antwerp, June 8. To Day or to Morrow, the Allies will take Possession of this City for his Majesty Charles III King of Spain. The French Troops, with the French Cannon, are to March out, with all Marks of Honour, to retire to their Frontier by the Way of Brussels. Our Capitulation is not yet made publick.

From the Harlem Courant, dated June 8.

Hague, June 8. The City and Castle of Antwerp have surrendred to the Allies, on Condition that the Governour and Garrison of the Castle be continued, and be receiv'd into the Service of King Charles *III*.

Hague, June 8. 'Letters from France, say Arragon has declar'd for King Charles *III*; That Order is sent to the Marshal de Villars to march with 'most of his Army to the Frontier of the Netherlands; and that the Court has given the Elector of 'Bavaria and the Marshal de Villeroy to understand, 'that they will do well to offer themselves to lay 'down their Commissions.

Deal, June 1. Sir Stafford Fairborne sail'd yesterday in the Afternoon towards Ostend, in her Majesty's Ship the Eagle; having under his Command her Majesty's Ships the Monmouth, Lenox, Kent, Dreadnought, Romney, Tryton, Milford, and Alborough; the Diligence Brigantine, and Bonetta Sloop; the Firebrand and Vulcan Fireships; and the Salamander and Blast Bomb-Vessels; with their Tenders. This Morning also her Majesty's Ship the Centurion sail'd hence to joyn the said Squadron.

Whereas the House of Mr. Thomas Blackmore in Hackney, was broke open the 29th of May last in the Morning, and there was stoln from thence a large Drab Riding-Coat, a said Colour Cloath Coat and Buttons of the same Colour lined with Blue, and a silver Porrenger mark'd M. W. Whoever gives Notice of any of the Persons concern'd in the said Robbery, to Mr. Blackmore at his House in Hackney, or at the 3 Anchors in King-street near Guildhall, within one Month, so as they may be apprehended, shall upon their Conviction receive Five Pounds as a Reward.

Chambers two pair of Stairs in Lincoln's-Inn new Square, with Garrets over the same, all ready fitted up and well Furnisht to be Lett, Enquire of Mrs. Gately in Hand and Hollybush-Court near the Lamb Inn behind St. Clements.

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This is to give Notice that Samuel Rogers, Bookseller of Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, had a Box of Wax Candles brought him (by his Carrier) with his Name on the Box. Whoever will give the Description of the Box Quantity and Quality of the Goods in it, shall have it again paying Charges. Give Notice to Mr. Jonathan Robinson at the Golden Lyon in St. Paul's Church-yard.

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